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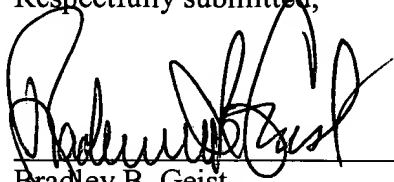
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document identified in the Form 1449. The document was mentioned in the procedure of the German Patent Office, a copy of which is also enclosed.

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